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Karl Rhoads
Senate District 13
State Capitol Room 204
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Nomination to the Board of Registration of the Island of Hawaii Dear Karl Rhoads,

As requested by you, I am submitting my written statement that addresses the following for my nomination for this position

- 1. The role of a member of the Board of Registration for the island of Hawaii hears and decides appeals that arise from voter challenge, voter disputes, or a clerk's decision regarding voter registration.
- 2. The responsibility of a member of the Board is to convene in their respective county on election day. A Board may also convene at the request of the Clerk's Office to hear appeals from registered voters and remain convened until all appeals are heard.
- 3. I believe all registered voters have a right to vote on election day. As a member of the Board of Registration, I want to accomplish fairness on election day for voters who may challenge a Clerk's decision that they are not allowed to vote or support the Clerk's decision after hearing the evidence presented to the Board. I was invited to apply for this position for the Board of Registration by the Governor's office.

- 4. I believe I am qualified for this position as a member of the Board because of my ability to listen, evaluate, and decide based on evidence. I have been involved with political campaigns for over 20 years and am aware of the process of poll watching. I ran twice for County Council for the island of Hawaii and ran once for an OHA trustee position. Every candidate who runs for office must be assured that all registration rules are followed on election day.
- 5. I'm not aware of any issues the Board have not handled well in the past, but I do believe the Clerk's Office may be facing many challenges with the new voter regulation of allowing voters to register and vote on election day. Ultimately there may be many challenges and disputes for the Board of Registration.
- 6. I do not foresee any conflict of interest that could arise during my service on the Board. If there was any possible conflict of interest, I would abstain as to my decision of a challenge or dispute. I would also consider resigning as a member of the Board.
- 7. As a member of the Board of Registration, I understand the importance of this position. I promise to accept and fulfill the responsibility as required to the best of my ability.

I want to thank you for giving me the opportunity to be nominated to the Board of Registration of the island of Hawaii.

Sincerely,

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Lorraine Pualani Shin